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Allen Dulles

Leaves for Eniwetok

WASHINGTON (INS)—Central Intelligence Director Allen W. Dulles, Atomic Energy Chairman Lewis L. Strauss and a group of other top government officials left Washington Saturday for Eniwetok presumably to witness another nuclear weapons test.

The AEC briefly announced that the party took off by military air transport plane for the Pacific proving Grounds where the Redwing series of nuclear tests is currently under way.

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Included in the group were Dulles, Strauss, Dillon Anderson, special assistant to the president, and Amos J. Peasley, deputy to Disarmament Chief Harold Stassan

DEFENSE Secretary Charles E. Wilson returned to Washington Monday from a similar trip. Wilson was accompanied by his top atomic aides.

Wilson refused to say whether he had witnessed an experimental hydrogen explosion, declaring that the AEC had established a policy against such announcements. The AEC later said the test blasts will "not normally" be announced, or described.

It is known, however, that the Far Pacific experiments are primarily for proving hydrogen weapons, and that the 500,000 square miles see area from which commercial vessels and planes are banned will be restricted for testing purposes until late August.

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